

Open Space and Regional Parks Commission Meeting September 6, 2022

PLANNING HIGHLIGHTS

- The Nevada Department of Wildlife awarded Washoe County Parks a grant in the amount of \$407,169 to complete Phase 1A Improvements identified in the Regional Archery Facility Master Plan (2021). Improvements include installation of a 2-stall ADA compliant pit toilet, new ADA accessible parking area, and general course improvements such as erosion control, trail stabilization, and permanent target installation.
- Washoe County Parks submitted a pre-application for a Recreational Trails
 Program (RTP) grant for the Red Hill Open Space Trail Project Phase 1. Phase
 1 improvements would include new trail construction, closure of unauthorized
 OHV roads through barriers and signage, and conversion of existing
 unauthorized roads into singletrack trail. This project includes new trail
 construction for the first section of the proposed Sun Valley Rim Trail.
- Washoe County Parks submitted pre-applications for the Conserve Nevada grant funding for multiple projects including next phase park buildouts based on existing master plans, new trail and trailhead projects, and priority land acquisitions.
- Americorps staff continued to work on completing noxious weed inventories and removing noxious weeds at multiple park and open space sites including Crystal Peak Park, Anderson Park, and Rancho San Rafael Regional Park. Staff hosted a volunteer event in partnership with Keep Truckee Meadows Beautiful (KTMB) to remove spotted knapweed and thistles from Crystal Peak Park. Americorps staff also mapped and removed a newly discovered jointed goatgrass infestation at Mayberry Park under the Nevada Department of Agriculture Early Detection, Rapid Response plan.